

What We've Accomplished Together



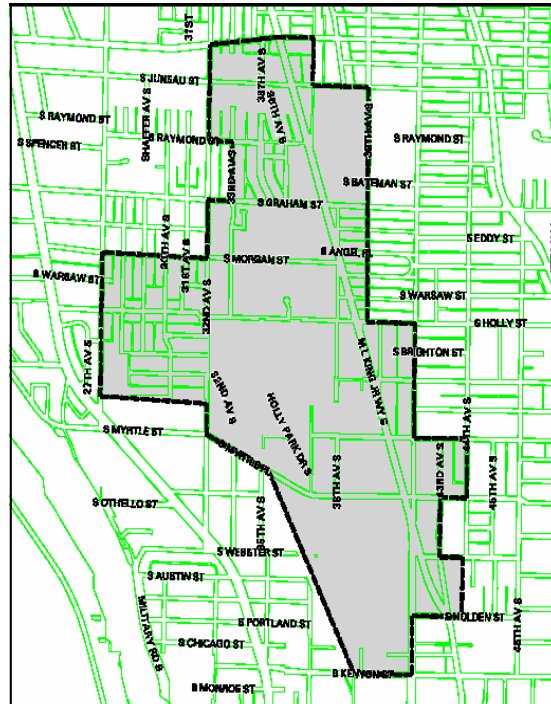
Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor
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Neighborhood: MLK@Holly Street

Plan Adopted: 1998

Key Elements:

1. Develop a Mixed Use Town Center
2. Strengthen Community Identity and Develop a coordinated marketing strategy for the Urban Village



**MLK@Holly Street Residential
Urban Village
Southeast Sector**

What happened in 2002

- **New Holly Phase II-** The Seattle Housing Authority began selling the first of 51 new units in the second phase of New Holly construction in July 2002. The Retirement Housing Foundation fully leased the Esperanza Apartments, which were completed in December of 2001. Leasing of the Park Place Assisted Living Facility began in June of 2002.
- **More banners -** The MLK@Holly Stewardship Group proposed to spend remaining Department of Neighborhoods Early Implementation Funds on metal “banners” designed by the same artist who produced the cloth community-identification banners that hang from poles along Martin Luther King Jr. Way S. Southeast Seattle Arts Council proposed to fabricate and install two or three of the banners in Othello Park. The group will work with the Department of Parks and Recreation and the surrounding park neighbors on this proposal.
- **Community organizing -** In September, a joint meeting of the Holly Park Merchants Association and the MLK@Holly Neighborhood Plan Stewards drew a great range of neighborhood advocates. Discussion topics included the design of the proposed Othello light rail station, the proposed art for the station, ideas for other public art desired by the community, and residents’ desires for incorporating these elements in to a future mixed use town center.

What's Underway In 2003

- **Banners and Kiosk** - The MLK @ Holly Stewardship Committee celebrated the completion of its Neighborhood Plan Early Implementation Fund project with a spring clean up and art dedication ceremony in April. The Committee used its funding for banners and a community kiosk. The banners are reflective of different cultures and represent the rich ethnic diversity throughout the Rainier Valley.
- **Sound Transit** - Sound Transit is starting to acquire real estate along Martin Luther King, Jr. Way S. in order to build the light rail line. An office for the \$50 million Community Development Fund is opening in Rainier Valley this spring. Businesses affected by light rail construction can receive technical assistance, and financial assistance with equipment replacement, tenant improvements and other operating costs needed to maintain their operations or to relocate.
- **New Holly, Phase III** - Design of rental housing for Phase III is nearing completion. The Seattle Housing Authority and International District Community Health Services are working together to develop a medical/dental clinic to be located in the new neighborhood.

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